

## Supplementary Information: Advances in the Projected Forces and Momenta Decoherence Method for Attosecond Nonadiabatic Molecular Dynamics

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The Supplementary Information (SI) for the article "Advances in the Projected Forces and Momenta Decoherence Method for Attosecond Nonadiabatic Molecular Dynamics" contains: (i) additional explanations of the inactive-potential momentum propagation for the FM decoherence correction in presence of a laser field; (ii) additional figures and analysis for the ring-opening and ring-closing dynamics in the 1,2-dithiane molecule; (iii) the optimized ground-state geometries and harmonic frequencies used to build the Wigner distribution for all molecules.

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## S1 TSH-FM decoherence: Auxiliary momentum propagation with an explicit laser field

As outlined briefly in Sect. 2.2 of the main text, in the presence of a laser, the energy for a surface hop is understood to be absorbed from the field and the trajectory velocity is not adjusted to conserve energy if the hop occurs to a potential within the laser bandwidth<sup>?</sup>. For the FM decoherence correction, Eq. (5) of the main text, the inactive-potential population is interpreted as corresponding to wave packets traveling on auxiliary trajectories, defined in terms of their inactive-potential auxiliary forces and momenta, as detailed in Ref. ? . An inactive-potential population increase is interpreted similar to a surface hop, i.e., requiring an energy-conserving correction in the field-free case but not in presence of an external field from which the necessary energy is absorbed. The energy-conserving auxiliary momentum propagation outlined in Section 2.6 of Ref. ? , needs thus to be adapted as follows.

An inactive,  $i$ , (field-adiabatic) potential bearing a population above a threshold,  $\eta$ , is understood to harbor an auxiliary wave packet, the momentum of which has been propagated from the initial condition  $P_i^f(0) = P_a^f(0) = P^f(0)$  at  $t = 0$  according to the field-adiabatic force,  $F_i^f(t)$ . Sub-threshold populated potentials do not carry an auxiliary wave packet and the active-potential momentum is used.

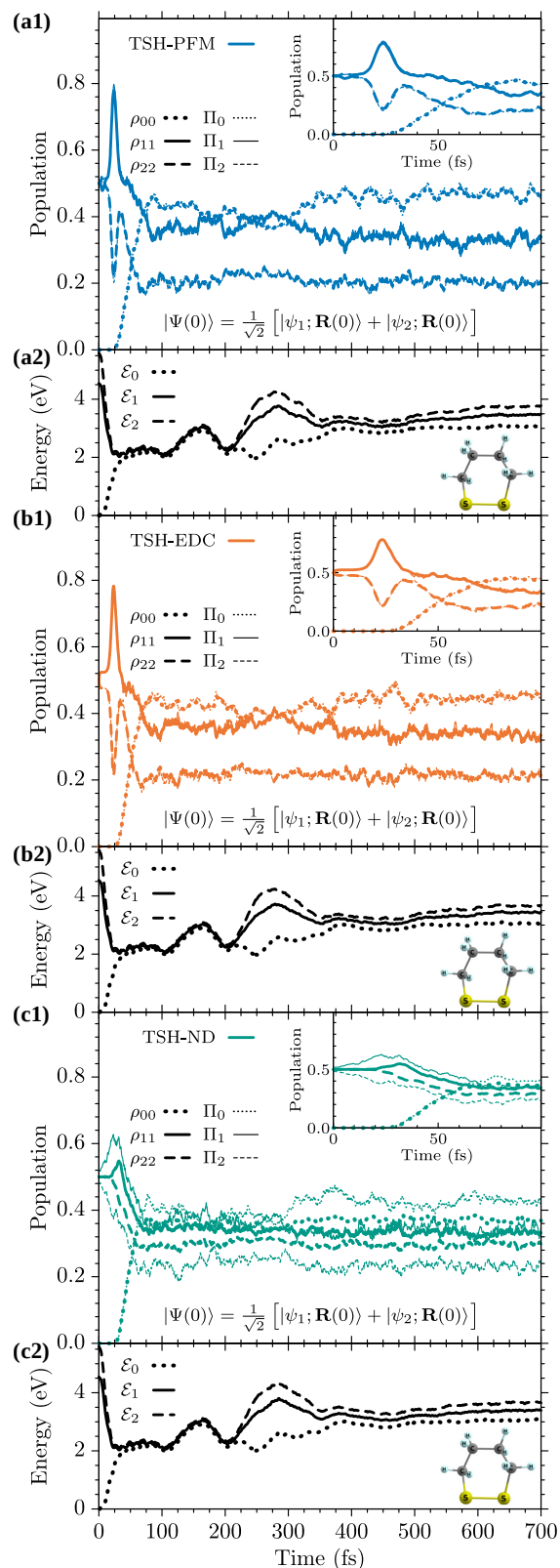
$$P_i^f(t + \Delta t) = \begin{cases} P_i^f(t) + F_i^f(t)\Delta t, & |c_i^f(t)|^2 \geq \eta \\ P_a^f(t + \Delta t), & |c_i^f(t)|^2 < \eta \end{cases} \quad (\text{S1})$$

Here, the superscript  $f$  has been employed to indicate the field-adiabatic basis in presence of a laser field, see Sect. 2.2 of the main text. If the population of an inactive potential,  $i$ , falls below  $\eta$  during the propagation, its auxiliary wave packet has decohered and the remaining population is moved to the active potential,  $a$ , changing the momentum propagation from Eq. (??) to Eq. (??), effectively switching off decoherence, since  $P_{ia}^f(t) = P_i^f(t) - P_a^f(t) = 0$  for these potentials, see Eq. (5) of the main text. If, in turn, the population of an inactive potential rises above  $\eta$ , it is interpreted as the birth of a new wave packet and the momentum propagation changes to Eq. (??). Finally, an increase of the inactive-potential population is interpreted as an excitation of a small wave packet from the active potential and the momentum propagation in Eq. (??) is modified by injecting active-potential momentum in proportion to the population increase,  $\Delta\rho_{ii}^f(t) = \max\{0, |c_i^f(t)|^2 - |c_i^f(t - \Delta t)|^2\}$ .

$$P_i^f(t) = P_i^f(t) \left( 1 - \frac{\Delta\rho_{ii}^f(t)}{|c_i^f(t)|^2} \right) + \frac{\Delta\rho_{ii}^f(t)}{|c_i^f(t)|^2} P_a^f(t) \quad (\text{S3})$$

## S2 1,2-dithiane

Herein, additional data regarding the ring-opening dynamics in 1,2-dithiane is shown in Fig. ??. The panels (a)-(c), respectively, depict for the TSH-PFM<sup>?</sup>, TSH-EDC<sup>?</sup>, and TSH-ND<sup>?</sup> approaches, the comparison of the adiabatic electronic populations,  $\rho_{jj}(t)$ , and fractions of active trajectories,  $\Pi_j(t)$ , for the  $S_0$ ,  $S_1$ , and  $S_2$  potentials in the sub-panels (a1)-(c1). While the TSH-PFM and TSH-EDC trajectory ensembles show almost perfect internal consistency, i.e.,  $\rho_{jj}(t) \approx \Pi_j(t)$ , see Eq. (A.1) of Appendix A to the main text, TSH-ND violates internal consistency. After the first 50 fs, however, the TSH-ND fraction of active trajectories resembles the TSH-PFM and TSH-EDC values considerably better than the TSH-ND electronic populations. As the gradients and thus the nuclear dynamics are determined by the active potential, this explains why the TSH-ND simulation predicts almost the same structural dynamics as the TSH-PFM and TSH-EDC simulations, see Fig. 6 of the main text, although the TSH-ND electronic populations differ considerably from the TSH-PFM and TSH-EDC results. Panels (a2)-(c2) show the ensemble-averaged  $S_0$ ,  $S_1$ ,  $S_2$  potential energy evolutions obtained with the respective methods. As expected from the aforementioned observation that the fraction of active trajectories is quite similar between all TSH approaches, the TSH-PFM, TSH-EDC, and TSH-ND average potential energies show only minute differences.



**Fig. S1** Nonadiabatic dynamics in 1,2-dithiane after a 50:50  $S_1$ - $S_2$  coherent superposition,  $|\Psi(0)\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [|\psi_1; \mathbf{R}(0)\rangle + |\psi_2; \mathbf{R}(0)\rangle]$ . (a1) TSH-PFM adiabatic electronic populations,  $\rho_{jj}(t)$  (thick), and fractions of active trajectories,  $\Pi_j(t)$  (thin), for the  $S_0$  (dotted),  $S_1$  (solid), and  $S_2$  (dashed), i.e.,  $j = 0, 1, 2$ , adiabatic electronic potentials. (a2) TSH-PFM adiabatic  $S_0$ ,  $S_1$ , and  $S_2$  electronic potentials (black) using the same line styles as in (a1). (b1), (b2) same as (a1), (a2), but for TSH-EDC. (c1), (c2) same as (a1), (a2), but for TSH-ND. All TSH results have been obtained for respective ensembles of 1000 trajectories, see the main text.

## S3 Molecular geometries and frequencies

### S3.1 Lithium hydride

Optimized geometry of LiH, obtained as described in the main text. The bondlength is 3.158 a.u. (1.671 Å).

#	atom	x [a.u.]	y [a.u.]	z [a.u.]
1	Li	0.00000000E+00	0.00000000E+00	1.57880975E+00
2	H	0.00000000E+00	0.00000000E+00	-1.57880975E+00

Harmonic frequency of LiH, obtained as described in the main text.

mode	[cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	[eV]	[a.u.]
1	1.27078E+03	1.57556E-01	5.79009E-03

### S3.2 Glycine

Optimized geometry of the I<sub>p</sub> conformer of glycine, obtained as described in the main text, and in Ref. ? .

#	atom	x [a.u.]	y [a.u.]	z [a.u.]
1	C	-2.14996201E-01	2.62921239E+00	6.63123794E-04
2	N	3.98901286E-01	-4.98748802E-02	7.45780415E-04
3	C	-3.02726220E+00	3.22335434E+00	7.78038040E-04
4	O	-3.45025189E+00	5.75216762E+00	7.38315997E-04
5	O	-4.70818622E+00	1.65803639E+00	6.94512145E-04
6	H	-5.28321740E+00	5.92653256E+00	7.54888895E-04
7	H	6.31754756E-01	3.56172806E+00	1.66292777E+00
8	H	6.31639729E-01	3.56159565E+00	-1.66173458E+00
9	H	-4.99920281E-01	-8.49347517E-01	-1.51460589E+00
10	H	-4.99631606E-01	-8.49183810E-01	1.51635457E+00

Harmonic normal mode frequencies of the I<sub>p</sub> conformer of glycine, obtained as described in the main text, and in Ref. ? .

mode	[cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	[eV]	[a.u.]
1	7.37532E+01	9.14423E-03	3.36044E-04
2	2.58736E+02	3.20792E-02	1.17889E-03
3	2.66285E+02	3.30151E-02	1.21328E-03
4	4.72463E+02	5.85780E-02	2.15270E-03
5	5.18476E+02	6.42828E-02	2.36235E-03
6	6.41123E+02	7.94891E-02	2.92117E-03
7	6.70373E+02	8.31156E-02	3.05444E-03
8	8.53511E+02	1.05822E-01	3.88888E-03
9	9.30071E+02	1.15314E-01	4.23771E-03
10	9.90731E+02	1.22835E-01	4.51410E-03
11	1.16341E+03	1.44244E-01	5.30088E-03
12	1.18686E+03	1.47152E-01	5.40774E-03
13	1.20277E+03	1.49125E-01	5.48023E-03
14	1.32638E+03	1.64450E-01	6.04343E-03
15	1.40467E+03	1.74157E-01	6.40013E-03
16	1.43436E+03	1.77838E-01	6.53542E-03
17	1.46568E+03	1.81721E-01	6.67814E-03
18	1.67288E+03	2.07410E-01	7.62219E-03
19	1.84797E+03	2.29119E-01	8.41995E-03
20	3.10734E+03	3.85261E-01	1.41581E-02
21	3.15915E+03	3.91685E-01	1.43942E-02
22	3.51392E+03	4.35670E-01	1.60106E-02
23	3.59606E+03	4.45855E-01	1.63849E-02
24	3.77639E+03	4.68212E-01	1.72065E-02

### S3.3 1,2-Dithiane

Optimized geometry of 1,2-dithiane, obtained as described in the main text.

#	atom	x [a.u.]	y [a.u.]	z [a.u.]
1	S	-1.94146093E+00	5.11947821E-01	1.94056584E+00
2	S	1.94148330E+00	-5.11947361E-01	1.94054431E+00
3	C	2.83872502E+00	9.06955407E-01	-1.06372596E+00
4	C	-1.43214337E+00	2.24583539E-01	-3.32145528E+00
5	C	1.43210703E+00	-2.24583684E-01	-3.32147117E+00
6	C	-2.83873617E+00	-9.06955299E-01	-1.06369424E+00
7	H	-2.21481139E+00	-5.98205743E-01	-5.03354170E+00
8	H	-1.81397933E+00	2.23970159E+00	-3.40241744E+00
9	H	2.21475603E+00	5.98205350E-01	-5.03356640E+00
10	H	1.81394206E+00	-2.23970175E+00	-3.40243732E+00
11	H	-2.55373940E+00	-2.92955792E+00	-9.47166312E-01
12	H	-4.85083245E+00	-5.62762143E-01	-1.24002709E+00
13	H	2.55372956E+00	2.92955804E+00	-9.47195081E-01
14	H	4.85081933E+00	5.62762219E-01	-1.24008122E+00

Harmonic normal mode frequencies of 1,2-dithiane obtained as described in the main text.

mode	[cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	[eV]	[a.u.]
1	1.79074E+02	2.22023E-02	8.15919E-04
2	2.32990E+02	2.88871E-02	1.06158E-03
3	3.12474E+02	3.87419E-02	1.42374E-03
4	3.57356E+02	4.43065E-02	1.62823E-03
5	3.93085E+02	4.87364E-02	1.79103E-03
6	4.59064E+02	5.69167E-02	2.09165E-03
7	5.28013E+02	6.54653E-02	2.40580E-03
8	7.17255E+02	8.89283E-02	3.26805E-03
9	7.24709E+02	8.98525E-02	3.30202E-03
10	8.65891E+02	1.07357E-01	3.94529E-03
11	9.10956E+02	1.12944E-01	4.15062E-03
12	9.65170E+02	1.19666E-01	4.39764E-03
13	1.01465E+03	1.25801E-01	4.62310E-03
14	1.06595E+03	1.32161E-01	4.85681E-03
15	1.14516E+03	1.41982E-01	5.21774E-03
16	1.17144E+03	1.45240E-01	5.33749E-03
17	1.23940E+03	1.53666E-01	5.64710E-03
18	1.30103E+03	1.61307E-01	5.92792E-03
19	1.38072E+03	1.71188E-01	6.29104E-03
20	1.39375E+03	1.72803E-01	6.35039E-03
21	1.45720E+03	1.80669E-01	6.63948E-03
22	1.47390E+03	1.82741E-01	6.71560E-03
23	1.52035E+03	1.88499E-01	6.92720E-03
24	1.54035E+03	1.90979E-01	7.01834E-03
25	1.60667E+03	1.99202E-01	7.32053E-03
26	1.61110E+03	1.99751E-01	7.34070E-03
27	1.62638E+03	2.01645E-01	7.41031E-03
28	1.63813E+03	2.03102E-01	7.46387E-03
29	3.19337E+03	3.95927E-01	1.45501E-02
30	3.20797E+03	3.97738E-01	1.46166E-02
31	3.23036E+03	4.00514E-01	1.47186E-02
32	3.23618E+03	4.01235E-01	1.47451E-02
33	3.24236E+03	4.02002E-01	1.47733E-02
34	3.24930E+03	4.02863E-01	1.48049E-02
35	3.29261E+03	4.08232E-01	1.50022E-02
36	3.29334E+03	4.08322E-01	1.50056E-02

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